



Community Challenge Grant Program

Program Overview

The Community Challenge Grant program (CCG), administered by the Office of Family Planning, Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program, provides community-based teen pregnancy prevention programming including linkages to family planning and reproductive health care. CCG projects are located in a variety of settings, including schools, and use various strategies to help adolescents avoid pregnancy and sexually transmitted infection (STI).

CCG strategies focus on:

- Age appropriate, culturally sensitive, curriculum-based comprehensive sex education.
 - Changing sexual and personal behaviors, knowledge and attitudes of youth, teens and their families.
 - Youth development activities that provide skill-building opportunities.
 - Individual and group-based mentoring, role modeling and mentor training.
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Goals

- Reduce the number of teenage pregnancies and teenage single parents.
 - Promote responsible parenting.
 - Promote the involvement of the biological father in economic, social, and emotional support of his children.
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Participants Served

- Presexually active adolescents.
 - Sexually Active adolescents.
 - Pregnant and parenting teens.
 - Parents and families.
 - Adults at risk for unwed motherhood or absentee fatherhood.
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History

The CCG Program was enacted in 1996 (California Welfare and Institutions Code Section 18993-1899.9). In 2003, the CCG Program was placed in the Office of Family Planning (California Welfare and Institutions Code Section 14504.1). The legislation's intent was to provide reproductive health education and referral, including family planning services, referral to clinical care, and HIV/AIDS information and referral services.

Funding

Provided by Federal Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) reimbursement funds from the Department of Social Services.

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Accomplishments

In 2006-2007:

- CCG programs served approximately 166,749 youth and families through direct, face-to-face interventions.
 - Provided age-appropriate, culturally sensitive, curriculum-based comprehensive sex education, including, but not limited to, abstinence-focused education.
 - Changed risky sexual and personal behaviors of at-risk youth.
 - Youth development activities provided skill-building opportunities for the development of their futures through self-expression, peer education, youth leadership and community service/service learning.
 - Trained and educated parents and other significant adults increasing communication skills regarding pregnancy prevention and responsible parenting.
 - Increased contraceptive use. Participants feel comfortable obtaining and using condoms. This is important as 12 percent of younger adolescents and 55 percent of older adolescents report that they had already had sexual intercourse by the time they entered a teen pregnancy prevention program and many were inconsistent in their contraceptive use or were found to be using ineffective methods.
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Where to Find a CCG Program

On the web: <http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/tpp/Pages/default.aspx> under "Program Information"

On the phone: Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program,
Office of Family Planning, (916) 650-0414

Where to Find a FamilyPACT Provider

On the web: <http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/tpp/Pages/default.aspx> under "Program Information"

On the phone: (800) 942-1054
